

## TURKISH FRONT BROKEN BY THE RUSSIAN FORCES

**Danger**  
From Westward Drive of the Turks  
After Victory at Erzerum.

### RETREAT MADE IN DISORDER

Army of the Grand Duke Is Approaching Trebizond from Two Points—Turks Reported to Be Evacuating Hills—All Territory Around Lake Van Occupied.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 21.—The Turkish front has been cut in two places. The Russian drive westward, following the Erzerum victory, has separated the three Turkish corps. One corps, forming the left wing, is retreating on Trebizond. Another is trying to reach Erzurum, but is badly harassed and floundering in the snow west of Erzurum. A third, forming the right wing, is isolated in the north and perhaps will be completely cut off.

The Turks lack food and munitions and are retreating in disorder. The Russian left wing has captured Pasur Akhesin, southwest of Mush. The vanguard of the Russians is 60 miles east of Trebizond and another force is approaching from the southeast.

ROME, Feb. 21.—The Turks are evacuating Bitlis, Armenia, southwest of Lake Van. Petrograd reported the Russians have followed up the conquest of Mush and Achlat and have occupied all the territory around the lake.

## THIRD ANNUAL MEET OF ODD FELLOWS TO BE HELD TOMORROW

### CONVENTION OF UMATILLA LODGES WILL BE HELD AT PILLOT ROCK.

The third annual county convention of Odd Fellows will convene in Pilot Rock tomorrow at 10 o'clock. A. M. Delegates from all the lodges in the county will be in attendance. George D. Dineen of Pilot Rock, is president; George P. Sanderson of Freewater, is secretary; George W. Bradley of Pendleton, is treasurer.

Each subordinate lodge is entitled to a vice president and five delegates to the convention. The Umatilla lodge of Pendleton will be represented by I. E. Young, vice president, and by R. P. Kirkpatrick, J. E. Montgomery, John Halley, Jr., H. C. Craig and R. J. Crosswell, delegates. Integrity lodge will be represented by Fred Searcy, vice president and by John Brown, M. A. Ross, Tom Holcomb and Frank King, delegates.

The program and business session will be held during the day and night. Freewater and Integrity lodges will exemplify the work of the second degree. A prize is offered for the best team work and also for individual work on the several parts.

Delegates to the convention will go out to Pilot Rock on the regular 8:15 train, while those not caring to go for the day session may go on a special train, leaving at 6 o'clock. This train will return after the convention and will go on as far as Milton-Freewater. Those going on the morning train should take a receipt for the fare paid. When this receipt is endorsed by the chairman of the convention, it will entitle the holder to return at one-third fare. A cordial invitation to all Odd Fellows is extended.

## NEWS SUMMARY

### General.

Turkish forces in Armenia are broken by the Russians and retreating in disorder.

British coast raided by German airplanes and much damage is done.

Bernstorff and Lansing cannot agree on terms in German-American controversy.

### Local.

Good roads experts to talk here tonight.

Old friends receive estate of late Wm. Harrison.

Full in congress would provide for roads in forest reserves.

School games to be held on Saturday hereafter.

Local farmers heavy borrowers from state.

## Lee M. Conry, N. P. Official Killed When Trains Crash at South Cheney; 4 Other Dead

Lee M. Conry, the Northern Pacific traveling passenger agent who was killed in the accident, is well known in Pendleton, his duties having brought him here many times in the past few years. He had many warm friends here who will be grieved to learn of his death.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 21.—Five persons were killed and three seriously injured Sunday at South Cheney, 17 miles west of Spokane, when Northern Pacific train No. 2, known as the North Coast Limited, ran into the rear of Northern Pacific-Burlington train No. 42, telescoping an empty day coach that was being "deadheaded" east into the rear Pullman of the Burlington train, which was standing in front of the station.

The accident happened in a dense fog.

The dead: Professor Elton Fulmer, state chemist, Pullman, Wash.

J. J. Minnick, deputy oil inspector, Spokane.

Lee M. Conry, Northern Pacific traveling passenger agent, Spokane.

H. L. Burke, traveling salesman, Portland, Ore.

J. J. White, Spokane.

R. J. Spear, Pomeroy, Wash.

Dr. John Matthews, Everett, Wash.

A. Payant, Los Angeles.

All the dead and injured either were asleep or dressing when the crash came. A score of persons had berths in the car, but several had just gone into the dining car ahead and were not injured. The others escaped with minor bruises save Mrs. J. N. Atkins of Spokane, who is suffering from shock.

Special Carries Surgeons.

A special train from Spokane carried surgeons and nurses and returned before noon to the victims, the three seriously injured being placed in a hospital.

Both trains eastbound were being detoured as sections of Spokane, Portland and Seattle train No. 4 over the line of that company between Pasco and Marshall, because of flood conditions on the Northern Pacific.

The engineer of the Burlington train stopped at South Cheney for orders.

C. G. Lude, rear brakeman, says he immediately started back to flag No. 2 which, according to the last report the Burlington train crew had, was one hour and 20 minutes behind the Burlington at Pasco.

Engineer Unable to Stop.

When Lude had run a distance of between 500 and 100 feet—passengers estimate the distance at five or six car lengths—he says he saw the headlight of No. 2 beginning to glow through the fog. He lighted a fuse but the engineer of the North Coast Limited, applying emergency brakes, could not quite stop his train in time to prevent the smashup.

Whether the Burlington train was behind schedule or the rear train had made up sufficient time to overtake on the rounding time of the B.

Professor Fulmer Insured.

On the body of Professor Fulmer was found an accident insurance card, providing for \$55,000 insurance in case of death on the trip. The policy was obtained just before he boarded the train at Pullman, Wash.

Railroad officials last night were unable to assign the cause of the collision. An investigation has been begun by J. P. DeForce, division superintendent of the Northern Pacific and by the county coroner.

## BERNSTORFF AND LANSING CANNOT AGREE ON TERMS

State Department Admits That Crisis is Likely to Develop Over German-American Controversy.

### AMBASSADOR MAY HAVE TO GO

Diplomatic Representative of Berlin Government May Be Called to Account for His Alleged Propaganda Work—Reported Launching With Act Immediately in Matter.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The state department admitted the possibility of a crisis developing in the German-American controversy, which are now graver than before Germany made her concessions. The death of Americans during the sinking of armed merchantmen, or an indefinite postponement of the Lusitania settlement, might precipitate a crisis. Officials declined to discuss the personal antagonism between Lansing and Bernstorff.

When Lansing was asked directly today if he contemplated calling Bernstorff to account for his alleged propaganda work, he evaded a direct answer. His face was grave. After two minutes he remarked: "If I did contemplate such an action I would not make it known before hand through the press."

It is understood the American proposal to the allies seeking disarmament is not affected by the German-American action. The state department course toward Germany will depend upon the allies' reply to the proposal. This is being delayed while the matter is threshed out at the various capitals.

## Breaking China Ma, Come After War Ends

RUSSIA, JAPAN AND GERMANY MAY COMBINE TO GET GERMAN PORTIONS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Feb. 21.—That Russia and Japan apparently want a separate peace and intend to join Germany after the war to divide a generous slice of Chinese territory, was the report that Newell Martin, international lawyer, and T. C. McDonald, a Manila journalist, brought here on the Japanese liner Chiku Maru. England and Japan are reported in acute disagreement over Japan's movements in China. The Japanese are thought to be fostering the present Chinese revolution in order to give Russia, Germany and Japan an excuse for interference after the war. England's anger over the gradual loss of control of the Chinese situation is reflected in the bitter Japanese press comments against the English.

Martin's father has been many years in China and is in close touch with the government officials. Officers of the Chiku Maru declared that 15,000 German prisoners who had been interned in China since the opening of the war, had been smuggled into Australia within the past week. The reason of the whole sale arrest of prisoners was a mystery. They were taken on a British cruiser. It was rumored plots of escape had been discovered and a revolt against the English might follow.

There is a possibility that the new famous decision of the interstate commerce commission giving Astoria common point rates along with the sound cities and Seattle may result in a lowering of the freight charges on wheat from Umatilla county to Portland.

No such reduction is called for in the decision but it is thought by some to be an inevitable outcome. Under the commerce commission's ruling Astoria is given the same rate as Portland, Seattle and Tacoma. In other words it will be possible to ship wheat from Umatilla county to Astoria as cheap as to Portland via the Northern Pacific. Under such conditions it would be natural for the wheat to go to Astoria, thus saving ocean ships from making the 100 mile run up the river.

Now here is where something may happen.

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## CHAMBERLAIN'S WAY OF SETTLING GRANT CASES IS ENDORSED

SPECIAL CONSUL AGREES TO  
SCHEME IN FORTUITOUS  
AGAINST RAILROADS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—A settlement of the Oregon and California land grant question in accordance with the Chamberlain bill was endorsed by Constantine Smith, the government's special counsel in the fortuitous suit against the railroad. He said there was no limitation in the power of Congress to take back the land, paying \$2.50 per acre. There are no restrictions against the government disposition of the land.

## Wheat Market Slow in Portland Today

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—May \$1.27, \$1.24 1/2-8; July \$1.22, \$1.20 1/2-2.

Portland.  
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Club \$4.98 asked. Bluestem \$1.05 \$1.98 asked.

Liverpool.  
LIVERPOOL, Feb. 19.—Wheat—Spot No. 1 Maritima, 114 1/2-50; No. 2 hard winter, new, 114 1/2-50.

In American terms the highest price at Liverpool at present is \$2.15 7-10 per bushel.

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## David R. Francis Now Mentioned to Succeed Garrison

QUESTION OF APPOINTMENT  
SWITCHES—HOUSTON STILL  
A SPECULATION.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Speculation on Garrison's successor switched to David R. Francis, former governor of Missouri. He had been mentioned to succeed Ambassador Marye, at Petrograd, but refused the post before it was offered to Marye. The White House stated the president had not made up his mind.

Houston still is regarded a likely choice. Many democrats do not favor Vrooman succeeding Houston because Vrooman supported a progressive instead of a democrat for Illinois senator.

## MAY LOWER GRAIN RATE

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## Rating is Given of Food Places in City of Pendleton

The following is a report of the sanitary conditions of places manufacturing and handling food products in the city of Pendleton:

The bakeries were only fair. In both bakeries supplies were being left uncovered and exposed to the dust and mice. They also need to give more attention to cleanliness.

The dairies were in a fair condition. During the winter season it was rather difficult to keep the surroundings of a dairy as clean as in the summer. Nevertheless, the cows, stables, utensils and milk-house can be kept clean, and if they are clean clean milk will be the result. The most serious objection being with the dirty cows as it is impossible to keep the milk clean if the cows are plastered with manure.

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## BRITISH SHIPS ARE BOMBARDED BY AEROPLANES

Germans Carry Out Successful Attack on England's Coast and Much Damage is Inflicted.

### ATTACKERS RETURN SAFELY

Simultaneously With Raid on Coast German Planes Make Assault on Lines in Flanders—British Attacks Near Ypres End in Failure, According to Berlin.

BERLIN, Feb. 21.—German aeroplanes, raiding England yesterday, bombed two British tankers, the admiralty announced. The main railway station and docks at Lowestoft were hit repeatedly.

An official statement said, Naval aeroplanes at noon Sunday attacked the British coast. Bombs were hurled successfully at factories near the railroad docks. One fell on the gas works at Lowestoft. The main station and the docks were hit several times. A gasometer broke down under the effect of bombs. Two tank steamers were bombed. Despite fire and pursuit, all engaged returned safely.

Other German aviators simultaneously raided Furness, Pöhringha, Amiens, and Lunenburg, along the western front, the statement said. It was reported the British unsuccessfully attacked the Germans occupying ground recently gained near Ypres. Russian attacks near Dvinsk have failed, it was said.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Newspapers demanded that prompt steps be taken to combat Germany's new campaign of frightfulness, beginning only nine days ago. Simultaneously they issued a warning that another air raid may follow yesterday's against the east and southeast coasts, when three persons were killed and one wounded.

Reports that a raider attempted to attack the French liner Chateau in the Bay of Biscay increased the belief the Germans are planning spectacular demonstrations on the sea, as well as in the air.

England doubts the American reports that Germany may postpone the operation of her submarine decoys. Newspaper comments have convinced the English authorities that the Teutons are about to embark on a new campaign to terrorize enemies as neutrals alike. The recent statements of Maximilian Harden are regarded as significant.

Canada Church Believed Doomed

FIRE IS DEVASTATING EDIFICE AT BEAUPORT, 3 MILES FROM QUEBEC.

QUEBEC, Feb. 21.—The church at Beauport, three miles away, caught fire today and is believed doomed to destruction. First reports said the Cathedral of St. Anne de Beauport was afire.

## Millions in Goods for Allies Burned in Great Brooklyn Fire



Burning of a Big Steamship.  
Millions of dollars worth of goods, fifteen barges were burned on the Brooklyn water front, Wednesday morning, Feb. 16. It is possible that this fire was more damaging to the allies than any other incendiary blast since the fire on a cargo ship filled with oil and jetting for the allies. The other shows the Brooklyn water front after the fire was watered out. One photograph shows a general view of the fire on a cargo ship filled with oil and jetting for the allies. The other shows the Brooklyn water front after the fire was watered out.